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ARMSTRONG

LIMESTONE

82	Final	1	2	T	77
	ARMSTRONG (3-1, 0-0 PBC)	33	49	82	
	LIMESTONE (2-1, 0-0 CC)	38	39	77	





Posted: Nov 23, 2013

GAFFNEY, S.C. - The Armstrong Atlantic State University women's basketball squad overcame a nine-point second-half deficit to upset No. 17-ranked Limestone College, 82-77, on Saturday afternoon at the Timken Center in Gaffney, S.C.

The loss was the first of the season for the Saints (2-1), while Armstrong improved to 3-1 on the season with the win. It also marks now the 11th season out of the last 14 in which Armstrong women's basketball has beaten a nationally-ranked team, and the second straight season as the Pirates won twice over ranked squads in 2012-13.

Limestone led by nine late in the first half, 35-26, but the Pirates closed the gap over the last two minutes on a three-point play by junior **Amber Howell** and a pair of baskets by freshman **Brigitta Barta** to trail by only five, 38-33, at the break.

Armstrong tied the game early in the second half as a jumper by senior **Tyler Carlson** and a three-pointer by senior **Stephenie Coney**

GAME LEADERS	
ARMSTRONG	
Pts:	Tyler Carlson - 23
Reb:	3 Players (#22 , #23 , #TM) - 7
Ast:	Stephenie Coney - 5
LIMESTONE	
Pts:	Celestra Warren - 25
Reb:	Celestra Warren - 14
Ast:	Morgan Brown - 5

TEAM STATS		
ARMSTRONG		LIMESTONE
(27-59)	Field Goals	(25-68)
45.8%	Field Goal %	36.8%

made the score 38-all with 18:03 left, but Limestone's Celestria Warren scored seven of the next nine points for the Saints to push the lead to nine, 47-38, with 16:27 left.

That's when the Pirates took over, embarking on a remarkable 31-7 run over the next nine minutes, capped by a Barta layup that made the score 69-54 with 7:09 remaining. Limestone would chip away at the lead over the closing minutes, getting to within three on a Precilla Hill layup with eight seconds left, but two free throws from junior **Dee Hayward** would seal the upset for Armstrong.

Carlson finished the day with a team-high 23 points on 9-of-17 shooting from the field, including 3-of-6 three-pointers, to pace four Pirates in double figures. Senior **Bryonna Davis** collected 17 points while Barta finished with 13 points off the bench. Howell chipped in 11 points as well.

Limestone was led by Warren's 25 points and 14 rebounds, with Ayshia Mc Niel adding 15 points and Morgan Brown chipping in 11.

Armstrong returns to action on Sunday, December 1st, hosting Coker College in a 2:00 p.m. non-conference contest at Alumni Arena.



45	Rebounds	41
9	Assists	12
22	Turnovers	19
17	Pts off Turnovers	22
8	2nd Chance Pts	19
36	Pts in the Paint	24
10	Fastbreak Pts	4
26	Bench Pts	14

FULL STATS

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